

PLANNING PARKS FOR MT. PLEASANT

Commissioners' Idea for
Beautifying Section.

CONGRESS ASKED TO ACT

Bill to Condemn and Acquire Property
Has Been Introduced by Rep-
resentative Bishop.

Mr. Pleasant will, if Engineer Com-
missioner John Biddle's recommendation
gets favorable consideration in Congress,
be considerably beautified by the addi-
tion of two public parks.

Commissioner Biddle's plans are con-
tained in a bill already introduced in
the House by Representative Bishop, and
dedicated to the beautification of the
section of the city between the inter-
sections of Sixteenth street and Park
road, and of Park road and Mt. Pleasant
street.

The Estimated Cost.

According to the plan, the estimated
cost of the park site on Sixteenth street
is \$3,000, and of the one on Mt. Pleasant
street \$3,000.

Both locations are considered desir-
able by the Commissioners, and their
wish to acquire them at this time grows
out of the fact that property values in
that section are increasing by leaps and
bounds, and if the lots are not pur-
chased soon they will soon be used for
building purposes.

The Commissioners recommend an
amendment to the Bishop bill to re-
quire half of the cost to be assessed
against the property benefited. In
making his recommendation Commis-
sioner Biddle says:

Wants Benefits Taxed.

"The Commissioners recommend that
the bill be so amended so as to require
half the cost to be assessed against
property benefited. This would seem
reasonable because the benefit will be
partly local and partly to the community
at large, which will be benefited on ac-
count of the resulting beauty and health
to the city by the establishment of parks."

DOCTORS SAVED HIM AND SPOILED "SCOOP" STORY

CINCINNATI, Feb. 3.—His news in-
stinct told him until the last—or what he
thought was the last—D. C. Biggerstaff,
of Charleston, Ill., after being rejected
by his sweetheart, wrote a detailed
story of his death, mailed it to the
Charleston Courier, on which he was
once a reporter, retired to his room in
the Palace Hotel, twisted a handker-
chief about his neck and then turned on
the gas.

He was found the next morning un-
conscious, but was revived quickly. Then
he betought himself of his "scoop,"
sent a telegram to the managing editor
of the story was a "fakery" and asked
him not to use it. But the telegram was
too late. Before the message reached
Charleston the Courier had been scatter-
ing broadcast, bearing to all of Bigger-
staff's acquaintances the story of his
death.

Biggerstaff, when first found in the
hotel, told a story of assault and rob-
bery and the police were summoned. A
detective, however, found in his trunk
letters from Miss May Lowe, of Cov-
ington, Ky., and went to see her. She said
that Biggerstaff had called on her and
asked her to marry him. She refused,
and then he begged for just one fur-
ther kiss. When she would not give
him this, she said, he threatened to
kill himself.

The detective went back to Bigger-
staff and told him what he had learned.
Biggerstaff then admitted that he had
tried to end his life. Then he thought
of his "scoop" and tried to stop it. Had
he not tried to make the detective think
he was a victim of robbery he would
have had time to prevent the story be-
ing printed.

PRUITT MUST AGAIN FACE MURDER CHARGE

Jury, After Deliberating Twenty-seven
Hours, Is Unable to Come to
Agreement.

William R. Pruitt will again be com-
pelled to stand trial for the killing of
William H. Steele, June 11 last, at
Twining City.

He was placed on trial Tuesday before
Justice Wright and a jury in Criminal
Court No. 1, and yesterday afternoon at
4 o'clock, after deliberating over twenty-
seven hours, informed the court it could
not agree.

The case was submitted to the jury
Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Fri-
day morning the jury asked information
as to whether the wound received by
Steele took effect on the back of his
head or in the palm of it. Dr. J. W.
Glazebrook told them he was of the
opinion the wound was inflicted from the
back of the head.

After hearing this testimony the jury
again took the case under consideration,
but was unable to agree and was dis-
charged.

CHURCH PLANS TO FIGHT THE GREAT WHITE PLAGUE

The service tonight at the Eastern
Presbyterian Church, Sixth street and
Maryland avenue northeast, will be de-
voted to a consideration of certain fun-
damental problems of society.

This church has shown a strong desire
to co-operate with other churches and
a number of organizations in meeting
in an adequate and thorough-going
manner some of the actual and fun-
damental needs which are not readily dis-
cerned. The fact that consumption
caused the death of between 800 and 900
persons last year in Washington, and
now claims a sick rate of probably 3,000
seems to warrant this church in taking
a hand in the crusade now being con-
ducted against this scourge.

THE USUAL WAY WITH US.

The New York Herald says the streets
of Gotham are in an abominably filthy
condition. Being satisfied with having
discovered the condition it advances no
theory.—Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON LADS COLLECT MILK TOPS

Tobacco Tags and Cigarette Pictures Lose Caste With
Juveniles in Their Mania to Hoard Up
Tops of Milk Bottles.

The collecting mania has found a
strange manifestation among the rising
generation of Washington in the ac-
quisition of "milk tops." The term
used to designate the pasteboard cover-
ing of milk bottles. Strange as it may
seem, the juvenile population has
learned to distinguish milk tops accord-
ing to the dairy, signified by diverse
secret and hieroglyphic marks. Indeed,
to such an extent has the fad for col-
lecting milk tops developed, that they
are eagerly gambled for—a practice that
has been expressly forbidden in several
of the public schools.

One proud uncle the possessor of
more than a thousand milk tops, em-
bracing more than seventy varieties,
has, by this distinction alone, become
recognized as the leading social light
among his classmates. So prodigal in
the pursuit of his hobby is this milk
top Rockefeller that, upon the appear-
ance on the market of a new variety
of the esteemed article, he is willing to
barter for its possession ten or a dozen
from his hoard, retaining a single dupli-
cate.

Tobacco tags, cigarette pictures, and

old stamps seem to have lost caste
with the youthful collector in his fren-
zied search for milk tops. Belzer ad-
vised every man to have a hobby, even
if it was nothing more than the col-
lection of postage stamps. It has re-
mained for the Washington small boy
to go one better than the great French
novelist, and, when the acquisition of
postage stamps and tin tags has palled
upon his jaded fancy, to find fresh de-
light in the collection of milk tops.

IMPRISONS HIS SON FOR THREE MONTHS

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 3.—His son being
so incorrigible that A. Harrison of Pros-
pect Park, was undetermined for a time
whether to send him to the House of
Correction or imprison him himself. Mr.
Harrison came to the latter conclusion
and sentenced the boy, who is sixteen
years old, to solitary confinement in
his home for a period of three months.
The father says the boy will have to
finish out the sentence, which will last
eight weeks yet, so he will see little of
the winter's pleasures.

CONGRESSMEN MUST STEER SHY OF BRIBES

Randell Proposes Bill Forbidding Giving
or Acceptance of Any Kind
of Favors.

A bill introduced in the House yes-
terday afternoon by Mr. Randell of
Texas aims a crushing blow at the al-
leged practice of corporations granting
favors to Senators, Representatives, or
Judges of the courts of the United
States. It makes the giver and the re-
ceiver of such favors liable to impris-
onment and heavy fines, with the ad-
ditional penalty on officials of the Gov-
ernment that they shall, if found
guilty, be forever disqualified from hold-
ing office under the Government.

The measure prohibits Senators,
members of the House, and Judges
from accepting free passes, transpor-
tation of persons or of property, the
franking privilege, money or any other
thing of value from any railroad,
steamboat, express, telephone, or tele-
graph company. It also forbids cor-
porations to grant such favors.

An agent of any company who shall
give the favor or money shall be pun-
ished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor
more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment
for not less than six months or more
than two years. Any Senator, Repre-
sentative, or Judge who shall accept
such favors shall be punished by a fine

of not more than \$1,000 or by impris-
onment for not more than one year, or
by both, and he shall be further pun-
ished by being forever prevented from
holding a Government office.

SANTO DOMINGO REVOLUTION PROVES QUITE PROFITABLE

The Santo Domingo revolution seems
to have been profitable, both to the
country and the country's creditors, ac-
cording to a report received by Secre-
tary Taft from Colonel Colton, chief
of the American customs agents in that
country. "The receipts in January,
during which the late hostilities took
place, surpass those of any previous
month," Colonel Colton reports.

Colonel Colton, in his dispatch, which
was received yesterday, states that
Generals Candelario de la Rosa, Bara-
hona, and Mota, the last revolutionists
to hold out, have surrendered and are
granted amnesty.

Peace and normal business conditions
throughout the republic are entirely re-
stored, the official reports.

MAY BUILD UNION STATION AT CLEVELAND

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Ex-Governor
Herrick, of Ohio, who is in this city,
was asked today concerning the report
that the Baltimore and Ohio, Erie, and
other roads were to build a union sta-
tion at Cleveland, Ohio, to cost \$2,500,000.
Governor Herrick declined to discuss
the matter. From other sources, how-
ever, it was learned that the govern-
ment had been in consultation with the
roads of some of the roads mentioned
and refused to deny or confirm the re-
port.

ACCOMMODATION MEN MUST WALK THE PLANK

So Declares Secretary Hitchcock After
Investigating Loan Question in
His Department.

Those engaged in making "accommo-
dation loans" at a usurious rate of in-
terest to employees of the Interior De-
partment have been given a "solar
plexus" blow by Secretary Hitchcock.

Following the investigations made in
the Pension Office by Commissioner
Warner last fall, Mr. Hitchcock has
conducted a quiet, systematic investiga-
tion of his own. He has discovered that
the practice was much worse than he
anticipated. The climax was reached
when Dr. Joshua R. Hayes, who had
been discharged from the Pension Office
as the result of an investigation of his
connection with the Franklin Mutual In-
vestment Association, appealed to the
Secretary for a personal hearing, claim-
ing that he had been made a martyr in
the case.

The statements made by Dr. Hayes to
the Secretary were not considered to be
near enough to warrant action toward
reinstatement. On the contrary, it de-
veloped that these money lending con-
cerns were exacting as high as 50 per
cent annually on loans. Mr. Hitchcock
considered this condition was demoral-
izing to Government employees. He is
now formulating plans to make a
thorough investigation, and both em-
ployees who, by any manner, aid these

concerns in carrying on their business,
or those who have been of chronic bor-
rowers, will probably be asked to "walk
the plank."

Whether the Secretary as informa-
tion of clerks now connected with his
department to be engaged in this busi-
ness is not known. He intends to find
out all facts before making a public
statement. His efforts, however, will be bent
upon ridding the department of such
conditions, and says it will work both
to the benefit of the Government and the
Government employee.

REDNESS OF THE NOSI MAY BE ABOLISHED

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The beauty spe-
cialists are making experiments with a
nose whitening invention which is due
to Prof. Lassar, of Berlin. The instru-
ment consists of a sort of circular brush
in which the bristles are replaced by
delicate platinum needles. According to
Prof. Lassar, redness of the nose is
due not to wine imbibing or to cold, but
to a purely local affection which causes
a congestion of the myriads of little
blood vessels which are concentrated
upon the human olfactory feature.

By piercing these little arteries and
letting the blood out the congestion dis-
appears and the nose once more be-
comes white.

TARIFF WAR PREFERRED BY GERMAN SENATORS

BERLIN, Feb. 3.—The Vossische
Zeitung says that a strong majority in
the Bundesrat, the German federal coun-
cil, composed of members representing
the individual states of Germany, which
shares the legislative power with the
reichstag, is convinced that it is pre-
ferable to Germany to wage a tariff war
with the United States rather than to
submit to American terms in arranging
a commercial treaty.

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Delay!

We had expected by this time to be in the midst of the dust and dirt of improvements. But, owing to one obstacle upon another confronting us, this week finds us no nearer the solution of problems arising connected with the improvements we desire to make.

Delay—though provoking and nerve racking, has its advantages. It gives us another week to reduce our gigantic stocks of Furniture, Floor Coverings, and House Furnishings. Therefore, through force of circumstances we continue this

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Made for Settling Your Account By Weekly or Monthly Payments

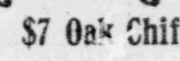


\$20 3-piece Oak Bedroom Suite.....\$12.95
\$55 3-piece Mahogany Bedroom Suite.....\$89.98
\$60 3-piece Quartered Oak Suite.....\$43.98
\$65 3-piece Quartered Oak Suite.....\$45.98
\$75 3-piece Mahogany Suite.....\$49.75



This \$13 Oak
Chiffonier
\$8.69

Selected oak, 5
large drawers,
with brass trim-
mings, large
French plate glass
and well made.



\$7 Oak Chiffonier, \$3.79

Five large drawers, brass trim-
mings, selected stock, well made and
finished.

\$4.50 Oil Heater, \$2.29

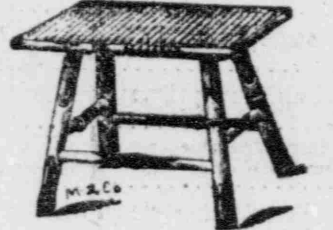
Full size; one-piece
fount; large circular
wick; odorless and
well made.

\$5 Oil Heater,
\$2.69

Large size, Japanese
cylinders, one-piece
fount, large circular
wick and odorless.

\$6 Oil Heater, \$3.98

Full nickel trimmed, one-piece
brass fount, with indicator, Miller
burner, odorless and a fine heater.



This Bamboo Footstool
19c

Top eleven inches square, eight
inches high. Top covered with fine
Japanese Matting.

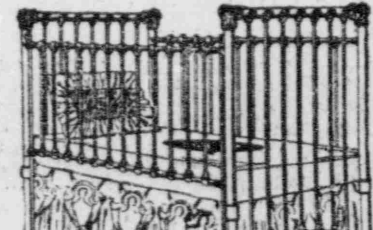
Solid Oak
Chairs,
49c

Old Chairs, two
and three of a kind;
some slightly dam-
aged yet in good
condition. Chairs
that regularly sell
for \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Tabourettes, \$1.98

Worth \$4 and \$5

Quartered Oak, mahogany finish
and weathered oak; very heavy extra
fine construction and high polished.



This \$15 Iron Crib, \$9.99

Very heavy, high sliding drop
sides, fine woven wire spring and
mattress included in price.

\$6 Iron Crib, \$3.89

Extra heavy white enamel
slat spring bottom, and trussed with
brass knobs. Regularly \$6.00. Re-
building Sale Price, \$3.89.

\$14 Oak Wardrobe, \$9.99

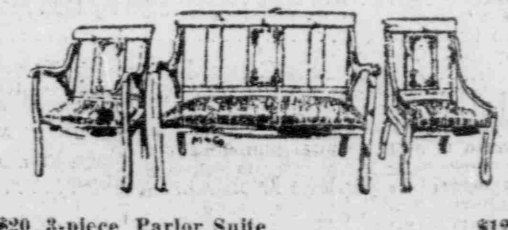
Selected stock
double doors,
or a central
top, highly pol-
ished and well-
made.

\$16 Wardrobe
\$11.69

Single door,
large linen
drawer; fine
construction
and well finish-
ed.

\$20 Wardrobe, \$14.75

Single mirror door, large linen
drawer; construction of selected oak
and highly polished.



\$20 3-piece Parlor Suite.....\$12.98
\$35 3-piece Parlor Suite.....\$25.25
\$40 3-piece Parlor Suite.....\$25.98
\$50 3-piece Parlor Suite.....\$35.89
\$55 3-piece Parlor Suite.....\$41.75



\$14 Kitchen Range, \$9.69

Size 6, five-hole top; large oven, good baker and
heater.

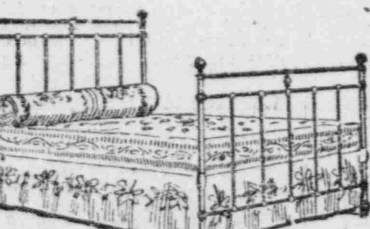
\$16 Extra Fine Range, \$12.25

Very heavy, large oven, extra heavy lids, guaran-
teed to be as good as any range on the market.

\$23 Kitchen Range, \$16.98

Size eight; extra size oven; full nickel plated trim-
ming; skirting base; five-hole top; fine heater and
baker.

All Stoves Set Up



\$6 Iron Bed, \$3.85

Any size, brass rails and knobs, in
white enamel.

\$12 Iron Bed, \$7.69

Full size, very heavy, brass trim-
med and white enamel.

\$14 Iron Bed, \$8.98

Full size, white enamel, brass trim-
mings and well finished.

\$16 Iron Bed, \$9.98

Continuous posts, very heavy white
enamel, trimmed with brass.

\$23 Iron Bed, \$15.98

Massive, trimmed with heavy brass
baths and rails, white enamel, hand-
somely finished.

Dining Room Tables

\$12 Damaged Top Table, \$5.98

Solid oak, six feet long, five heavy legs, strong and
durable.

\$15 Quartered Oak Table, \$9.29

Quartered oak stock; six feet long; five heavy fluted
legs; highly polished and finely made.

\$23 Pedestal Table, \$12.98

Cabinet oak, six feet long, heavy base, nicely made
and finished.

\$25 Pedestal Table, \$13.69

Quartered Oak, six feet long, heavy pedestal base,
highly polished and finely made.

\$6 Hall Rack, \$3.29

Solid oak, glass, and two hooks and
umbrella stand.

\$7.50 Hall Rack, \$3.95

Standing, solid oak, round glass,
three hooks and umbrella stand.

\$17 Hall Rack, \$10.98

Quartered oak, shoe box, four
hooks, large glass, and highly pol-
ished.

\$34 Hall Rack, \$25.75

Quartered oak, shoe box, extra
large glass, four hooks, fine construc-
tion and finish.



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The McDougall Cabinet saves
time, labor, space, and money.
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Self-opening, full spring edge, but-
ton tufted, well made and finished.

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Some Slightly Soiled

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Nottingham Lace, full width and length, sheer
and well covered effects. It's an opportunity sel-
dom offered to get full width and length curtains
at \$1.25.

\$20 Toilet Table, \$12.69

Mahogany; extra large glass;
swell front; French legs; highly
polished and fine construction.

\$24 Toilet Table, \$12.98

Bird-eye Maple; large glass; two
drawers; highly polished, and fine
construction.

\$25 Toilet Table, \$16.95

Birch Mahogany finish; French
legs; swell drawers; large bevel-
ed plate glass; highly polished
and fine construction.



\$15.00
Sideboard

\$8.98

Solid Oak;
large glass;
lined drawer,
and well
made.

\$50 Sideboard, \$39.75

Quartered Oak; highly polished;
large mirror and velvet lined drawer.

\$65 Sideboard, \$44.98

Massive, quartered oak, large glass
and fine construction.

\$24 Buffet, \$15.95

Quartered oak; French legs; bevel
plate mirror, and highly polished.

\$35 Buffet, \$24.95

Fine quartered oak; large drawer
and glass; finely finished and made.

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